

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page one, please insert the following paragraph above the paragraph entitled "Field of the Invention":

Related Application

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/301,966, filed November 22, 2002.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 32, line 9 with the following paragraph:

The windshield curtain 14a includes connections 180a, 182a, and 184a that interconnect the first and second panels 80a and 82a. The connections 180a, 182a, and 184a help define an inflatable upper portion 190a, and an inflatable lower portion 192a including an inflatable first chamber 194a and an inflatable second chamber 196a. The upper portion 190a is inflatable along the windshield 50a between the roof 40a and the steering wheel 230 and air bag 232. The first chamber 194a is inflatable away from the upper portion 190a and away from the windshield 50a between the steering wheel 230/air bag 232 and an occupant of the driver side 20a. The first chamber 194a, when inflated, is positioned against the air bag 232. The second chamber 196a is inflatable away from the upper portion 190a toward the windshield 50a between the windshield and the steering wheel 230/air bag 232. The second chamber 196a, when inflated, is positioned against the windshield 50

50a and against the rear of the air bag 232 and the top of the steering wheel 230.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 37, line 21 with the following paragraph:

In this description, a "pleat" is meant to describe a portion of the windshield curtain 14 in which a curtain panel is folded over or doubled onto itself. Referring to Fig. 11B, the pleats 262 are folded in the first panel 80c of the windshield curtain 14c. The pleats 262 could, however, be folded into the second panel 82c, if desired. Referring to Fig. 11C, a pleat 262 is formed by folding the first panel 80c along fold lines 264. The pleat 262 includes three overlying portions of the first panel 80c second panel 82c. The panel 80c is folded along a first fold line 270 to form a first portion 272 that overlies a second portion 274. The panel 80c is also folded along a second fold line 280 to form a third portion 282 that overlies the first portion 272 opposite the second portion 274. Referring to Fig. 11A and 11C, stitching 290 connects the portions 272, 274, and 282 of the pleats 262 at opposite ends of the pleat. This stitching 290 may be the same stitching used to connect the first and second panels 80c and 82c to form the inflatable upper and lower portions of the curtain.